

MASSES - 22nd - 29th September 2019

Sun	22	9.30am	Deceased members of Father Tadeusz & family
		11.30am	Mami Cecile Nanda (RIP)
Mon	23	12.00noon	Anthonia Anatuanya (B'day)
Tues	24	9.30am	Ethan Osagie (B'day)
Wed	25	9.30am	Jim Dunleavy (Anni)
Thurs	26	9.30am	James & Ann Mapuranga (Thanksgiving)
Fri	27	9.30am	Rose Hogan (Spl int)
Sat	28	9.30am	Rose Trill (Spl int)
Sun	29	9.30am	People of the parish
		11.30am	People of the parish
		3.30pm	Bereavement Mass

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

22/09/2019

9.30am	School children
	School staff
11.30am	Parish children
	Frank, Marcel (E)

29/09/2019

Nicholas, Naomi (R)
Jarek (E)
Stephanie, Cynthia (R)
Patricia (E)

Please pray for the sick of the Parish: Tony Groogan, Mary Mulroney, John Currison, Gerard Griffith, Jane Patalong, Maria Drabik, Kath Muldoon, Michael Clear, Maria Clear, Ann Crowley, Thi Tran, Christopher Browne.

Anniversaries during the week : Owen Healy ,Delia Mullaney ,Betty Reilly, John Mulroney, William Lennon ,Christy Benson, James Francis Dunleavy ,Francis Corrigan ,T. O'Driscoll ,Fredrick R W Quinney ,Anne Travers, John Joseph McSweeney .

Extraordinary Missionary Month - October 2019 the Archdiocese of Birmingham will be marking an Extraordinary Missionary Month, called for by Pope Francis, for the purpose of rediscovering the missionary heart of the Church, in all aspects of her life and worship, and especially in every Catholic. WE are encouraged to reawaken our missionary call by taking the Gospel across the globe, but particularly in England and Wales where we find our people and culture in need of a New Evangelisation. Our parishes of St. Osburghs, St. Mary's and St. Elizabeth are ministered to by the Missionary Order of the Apostles of Jesus. Let us support their work among us.



A.J. Missions



St. Osburg



Ss. Mary & Benedict



St. Elizabeth

Twenty– Fifth Sunday in ordinary time- Parish Newsletter– 22nd –29th Sept. 2019

WE DID NOT LACK BECAUSE WE SHARED WHAT WE HAD

I wish to thank you all for the wonderful celebration we had last Sunday as we gathered together for prayer and praise to God thanking him for our families. As your Parish Priest, I was humbled by the family spirit you showed as we prayed together and as we shared food prepared by yourselves. Thanks to God who has showed us that goodness, the hidden treasure in our families which we need to discover day after day.

Some of us might be wondering the rationale of the “Parish Family Thanksgiving Day” As someone that has lived in this area for sometime, I noticed that many Catholic events take place during the year under different names. The world ‘*multicultural*’ cuts across these celebrations. There are many intercultural Masses as there are cultural dances and foods. Coventry being a nominated city of culture 2021 there're is a drive to celebrate the difference among the people of the city which at the same time brings about their fundamental unity.

The Parish Family Thanksgiving Day was meant to help us to turn back to God to recognise his presence in our families, to interpret whatever is going on inside our families as his plan and to seek his guiding hand in those moments where we might not know what to do. Unlike many events that take place within our city, our Family thanksgiving event was preceded by two Sundays of Catechesis on the Family to make it clear that this annual event ought to be Christ Centred and carried on within the context of our Catholic Faith. I'm extremely grateful to our guest preachers Mgr. Daniel McHugh, Chaplain to Ethnic Communities, Mrs. Lianne Papu Coordinator of Diocesan Family Catechesis Maryvale, and Mr and Mrs Joe Ardley from St. Michael's Parish Wolverhampton who spoke to us. I pray that each one of us took away with him/her something to continue building your family on.

I pray that God willing we shall put aside one day each year to pray for our families and to thank God for this precious gift which he– himself has given to us. Just as we look forward to celebrate our birthdays with joy, I pray that as members of this parish we shall look forward to this day with great enthusiasm as an annual thanksgiving moment to God for that mysterious institution I call my family.

Your generosity in providing food and drink crowned the day. I'm sure none of us is lacking because you shared what you had with others. God will always provide Our next family thanksgiving day will be on Sunday 20th September 2020.

YOU ARE MOST WELCOME to our Parish Church. If it is your first time here or probably you have been here before, your presence with us at this moment at our community worship is greatly appreciated. Our Parish Church is the second to be built in Coventry after the Protestant Reformation. It was built in 1893, the pews have never moved since then! Our Musical Pipe Organ was inaugurated in 1898, it was the best of its kind at the time. Our Parish has had eleven Parish priests since 1889, the present one being a Religious Missionary from the Institute of Apostles of Jesus in Uganda. Our Parish welcomes and promotes the initiatives taken by everyone for the building up and sustenance of our faith community.

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The Parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No. 234216

Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: £335.92 **Non-Gift Aid:** £351.27 **Total :** £687.19

Counters : Pat & William Edwards

Mass Attendance : 585

Bonus Ball :

2nd collections : for the months of September & October : 22nd Sept—Fr. Hudson's Society; 6th Oct—CAFOD; 20th Oct. APF.

Pious Devotions

Prayer for priests every first Friday of the month from 6 – 7pm followed by Mass

Divine mercy prayers every last Thursday of the month from 6 -7pm followed by Mass

Rosa Mystica on 13th of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00p`m.

Parish Rosary group every Friday at 6.00pm

Choir practice every Friday at 7.30pm /Saturday at 3.00pm

Church cleaning: 8.00am to 9.30am

Confessions : Every Saturday from 10am to 11.00am

Parish Christmas bazaar for 2019 will be on November 30th at 1:00pm
Please keep this date in your diaries.

Family fast day is on Friday 4th Oct. This Fast Day, CAFOD invites us to fast, pray and give, so we can extend the hand of friendship to the world's poorest people. Please collect the Fast Day envelopes from church and give generously

Annual Mass for bereaved families Sept 2018-Sept 2019 will take place on **29th Sept. at 3:30pm.** Please give the name of the deceased to Fr. Jimmy or one of the Parish Sisters if you intend to come.

Our day of Prayer for Vocations: Saturday 26th October 2019

Matters of Importance

Welcoming New Students to our Parish: on Sunday October 6th we shall officially welcome new students to our parish during the 11:30am Mass. Just to remind you that our parish was entrusted by the Archbishop to take care and to give support to the Spiritual needs of the students particularly of Coventry University. Fr. Jimmy our Parish priest and Chaplain to Coventry University will be very pleased to meet the students. Please help the students to find where this catholic church is found

Baptism preparation classes: parents who attended baptism classes on 16th September are reminded of the Second session which will take place on Monday 23rd September at 6.00pm in the Lady's Chapel. God parents are asked to attend as well.

RCIA Program will start on 7th October 2019. If you are an adult from 10 years and above who has not been baptised or who was baptised in other churches but you would like to be received into the catholic church, you are warmly welcome.

Catechism for children who go to non catholic schools started last Saturday. Classes start from 11:00-12:00noon every Saturday in the Lady's chapel.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees the Church has been celebrating this day since 1914. It is always an occasion to express concern for many different vulnerable people on the move; to pray for the challenges and increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. For 2019, Pope Francis has chosen the theme "It is not just about migrants" to highlight that his frequent appeals for migrants, refugees, displaced and trafficked people should be understood as integral to his deep concern for all the inhabitants of today's existential peripheries. The hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and the prisoner who knock on our door today are Jesus Himself, asking to be encountered and supported.

The Kenelm Youth Trust and the Vocations Office for the Archdiocese of Birmingham warmly invite youth workers, parish youth leaders, catechists, lay chaplains in schools, pastoral workers and all those involved in mission and ministry with young people to the *Christ is Alive* Youth Ministry Conference Day on Saturday 28th September, 10am - 5pm at Alton Castle. The conference will explore the ideas and trends that emerged at Church's recent synod on young people, faith and vocational discernment. It will give food for thought as well as practical approaches to serving young people and keeping their voices at the heart of our ministry.

Novena with Newman All over the world, people are preparing to celebrate the canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman on Sunday 13th October. This is a time of special grace for us to join together and form links in a great chain of prayer, where we call upon the soon-to-be-Saint to crown our prayers with his intercession in heaven. We are encouraged to form links in that chain by joining in a Novena with Newman - nine days of prayerful preparation for the canonisation, starting on Friday 4th October and finishing on Saturday 12th October on the eve of the canonisation.

Blessing of the Graves: will be as follows: London Rd 29th Sept, St. Paul's 6th October all services start at 3.00pm.